



CITY OF
FORT LAUDERDALE

AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD
Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport
Administrative Office - Multipurpose Room
6000 NW 21 Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL
Thursday, January 24, 2008, 1:30 p.m.

Board Members	Attendance	Cumulative Attendance 7/07 to 6/08	
		Present	Absent
Bunney Brenneman, Chair	P	5	0
Joseph Scerbo, Vice Chair	P	4	1
Lee Alexander	P	4	0
Lloyd Evanson	P	3	2
Richard McDonald	P	4	1
John McKaye	P	5	0
Deborah VanValkenburgh	P	4	1
Sharon Woods	P	4	1

Airport/City Staff

Clara Bennett, Airport Manager
Mark Cervasio, Assistant Airport Manager
Alex Erskine, Assistant Airport Manager
Rufus A. James, Airport Operations Supervisor
Stephanie Horchreder, Airport Programs Aide
Vicki Minard, Assistant City Attorney
Fernando Blanco, Airport Engineer
Sharon Dreesen, Administrative Aide
Jason Robinson, Airport Operations Aide
Matt Bocchino, Airport Operations Aide
Jamie Oppерlee, Recording Secretary

Visitors

Joan Kuntz, Sheltair
Don Campion, Banyan Air Services
Ricardo Avin, City of Oakland Park
Clarence Jackson, Congressman Alcee Hastings' staff
George Weaver, Buehler Aviation
Keri Dowling, Aviation Legal Group
Yan Lahan

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chair Brenneman and roll was taken. Board members introduced themselves in turn.



1. Approve Minutes of December 2007 Meeting

Motion made by Mr. Evanson, seconded by Ms. Woods, to approve the minutes of the Board's December 2007 meeting. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation for the Rehabilitation of Taxiway Bravo - Project 11134

Mr. Cervasio reminded the Board that at their October 25, 2007 meeting, the Board had unanimously endorsed staff's recommendation to approve a Joint participation Agreement (JPA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the amount of \$400,000 to provide up to 50% of the costs associated with rehabilitation of Taxiway Bravo. On November 6, 2007, the City Commission approved this recommendation and the JPA was executed.

Mr. Cervasio continued that FDOT had programmed monies to fund two other grants: \$561,650 for the construction of the landside signage project and \$240,000 for the rehabilitation of Taxiways Charlie and Delta. Mr. Cervasio explained that the cost estimate for the landside signage had dropped to \$650,000 and was already fully funded by a state grant with airport matching funds. Staff had also decided to delay any work on Taxiways Charlie and Delta until the completion of the Airport Strategic/Master Plan, which would include an evaluation of taxiway configuration and alignment on the airport.

Mr. Cervasio advised the Board that FDOT had agreed to allow the funds programmed for these two 2 grants to be redirected toward the rehabilitation of Taxiway Bravo, effectively increasing their participation up to 80%.

Mr. Cervasio stated FDOT had initiated a Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement (SJPA) in the amount of \$801,650 to provide a total of \$1,201,650 or up to 80% of the costs to rehabilitate Taxiway Bravo. The remainder of the estimated project costs, \$300,412, would be funded from the Airport's approved Capital Improvement Plan.

Staff Recommendation:

The staff recommends the Supplemental Joint Participation Agreement be approved for the City to accept the additional \$801,650 from the FDOT for a total of \$1,201,650 or up to 80% of the project cost for the rehabilitation of Taxiway Bravo.

Motion made by Mr. Scerbo, seconded by Dr. Alexander, to approve the staff recommendation. In a voice vote, Board unanimously approved.

Update Items

A. Noise Compatibility Program

Florida Airport Council (FAC) Noise Abatement and Community Affairs Committee – Quarterly Meetings

Ms. Horschreder announced that on Thursday, November 1, 2007, staff attended the quarterly FAC Noise Abatement and Community Affairs committee meeting in Boca Raton, Florida. The meeting agenda included a speaker from DayJet Corporation, which officially began operating in October 2007. Ms. Horschreder informed the Board that the aircraft DayJet used for their operations was the Eclipse 500, a Very Light Jet (VLJ) that met stage 4 noise standards, resulting in quieter operations. Attendees visited DayJet's main office in Boca Raton for a tour, and the day concluded with a visit to the Boca Raton airport to see the Eclipse 500 and experience first hand what a difference the stage 4 engines make during take-off.

Ms. Horschreder informed the Board that the next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2008 at FXE. The guest speaker for that agenda would be Dick Kane, the Communications Director with the Florida Department of Transportation. The topics of discussion would be Community Relations and Media Training.

Twin Lakes North Homeowners Association Meeting

Ms. Horschreder reported staff had attended the Twin Lakes North Homeowners Association meeting on Thursday, January 17, 2008 and reminded attendees of the upcoming public Scoping Workshop on January 24, 2008. The workshop would address the Environmental Assessment required by the FAA to analyze potential environmental issues related to extending the hours of the I-95 Turn.

Nighttime and I-95 Turn

Ms. Horschreder announced that for November and December 2007, there were no noise events over 80 dB at night between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. In November, from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., 55 jets had flown the I-95 Turn, 4 of which were stage-two aircraft. In December, from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., 38 jets had flown the I-95 Turn, 3 of which were stage-two aircraft.

Noise Abatement Program Statistics

The noise program statistics for December 2007 were included in the Board's packet.

Ms. Horchreder advised Board members that DayJet currently flew within the state of Florida, and a few flights out of state. She reported they did stop at FXE, but it was not one of their main "Day Ports."

Mr. McDonald referred to the noise abatement program statistics, and noted that a few residents called many times per month. Ms. Horchreder explained what happened after residents called in. She first determined if the flight was a Life Guard flight; if it was not, she discussed it with the control tower and/or the pilot.

When residents were concerned about the planes' altitudes, Ms. Horchreder explained that flight altitudes were controlled by the FAA. Ms. Bennett referred to the workshop later that day regarding the Environmental Assessment the FAA was requiring to analyze potential environmental issues related to extending the hours of the I-95 Turn. Ms. Bennett said they let residents know they were aware of their concerns and were working to address them using measures such as the I-95 turn.

Mr. Scerbo noted the 100% increase in the number of households reporting in December, and wondered why this occurred. Ms. Bennett explained there were always seasonal variations, with weather being the largest contributing factor to upsurges in reporting. She noted that during nicer weather, residents left windows open and were therefore more aware of outside noise. Ms. Bennett explained that the winds' shifting direction at different times of year also affected flight paths and noise reports.

Ms. Horchreder said the workshop would explain the alternatives they would present to the FAA regarding the I-95 nighttime turn, and they would also gather input from the public to determine if the scope of the project met their expectations.

Ms. Van Valkenburgh asked about noise monitor 2, which had taken a month to repair in October, and asked if this was a reasonable amount of time for such a repair. Ms. Bennett explained that the monitors were aging. They did have a maintenance contract with the manufacturer, but this equipment was vintage 1990. Ms. Bennett said one project they were considering for this year was replacing all of the microphones with new technology. She noted that this manufacturer's equipment was actually very reliable, considering the heat and humidity.

B. Development and Construction

Airport Projects in Development

Taxiway Alpha Relocation Project # 10802

Mr. James informed the Board that a pre-construction meeting had been held on December 3, 2007, to discuss the scope of the project with the contractor, Ranger Construction. He explained the purpose of the project was to relocate

Taxiway Alpha 90 feet south of its current location, and to construct three run-up pads with blast fences. Mr. James anticipated work would proceed for approximately 18 months.

FXE Airport Perimeter Road Extension Project # 10963

Mr. James reported that the road extension project was more than 50% complete. In addition, the contractor was almost finished hauling fill material to build up the embankment and was also conducting water pressure checks. Mr. James agreed to provide the Board with an update when this project was complete.

Challenge Air For Kids and Friends

Mr. James reminded everyone that on Saturday, January 26, 2008, Challenge Air for Kids and Friends would be presenting "Fly Day" from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Banyan Air Service, 5340 NW 20th Terrace. On "Fly Day", free airplanes rides would be given to any physically challenged child or young adult who was registered prior to the event. For more information about how to volunteer or to contribute a gift, call (214) 351-3353, extension 14. Or visit the following website at www.challengeair.com or www.challengeair.org

Operations statistics were provided with the Board's packet.

C. Arrearages

There were no arrearages to report.

D. FLL Update

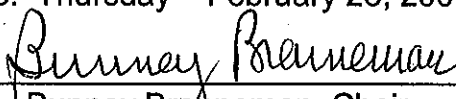
Ms. Bennett said there had been 2 recent articles in newspapers regarding the presentation given by the Airport Director to the County Commission on the proposed projects at FLL. She distributed copies of these articles to Board members.

Other items

Ms. Bennett informed the Board that long-time Board member Bob Hodges had passed away recently. She remarked he had been a great Board member, and had made significant contributions to FXE's history and development.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

- Next scheduled meeting date: Thursday – February 28, 2007 – 1:30 PM


Bunney Brenneman, Chair

PLEASE NOTE:

If any persons decide to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this public meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and